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Dear Interested Persons:

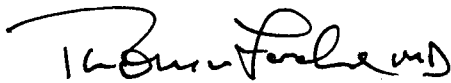
The Washington State Board of Health, in conjunction with the Washington State Department of Health, is initiating a proposed rule change to **Chapter 246-100-166 WAC—Immunizations of child care and school children against certain vaccine preventable diseases.**


The sole purpose of this proposed rule change is to assure that all children enrolled in schools or licensed day care facilities are permitted to attend school or day care in the event of a vaccine shortage even if they have not completed the set of required immunizations.

The State Board of Health will discuss this issue on June 12, 2002 at its monthly Board meeting. For more information about the Board meeting please check the Board's website at [www.doh.wa.gov/sboh/](http://www.doh.wa.gov/sboh/).

If you would like additional information regarding the proposed rule change please contact Richelle Peterson, Clinical Assessment Manager, Immunization Program, Community and Family Health Division, at the State Department of Health, at (360) 236-3720 or Doreen Garcia, Senior Policy Advisor to the State Board of Health at (360) 236-4101.

Sincerely,

  
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